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Sir:

Applicant appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed May 31, 2002, finally rejecting claims 1-15 and 21-26.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

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These proceedings are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

(b) [X] Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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